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In re Application of :
Hideyuki Sakai :
Application No. 09/650,625 : **ON PETITION**
Filed: August 30, 2000 :
Attorney Docket No. MATSUNAMI.004AUS :

This is a decision on the petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment under 37 CFR 1.181, filed July 28, 2006, which petitioner has demonstrated was previously filed on November 12, 2002.

The petition under 37 CFR 1.181 is **DISMISSED**.

Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within **TWO (2) MONTHS** from the mail date of this decision. The reconsideration request should include a cover letter entitled "Renewed Petition under 37 CFR 1.181". Extensions of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) are permitted. No fee is required for a renewed petition.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to pay the issue fee as required by the Notice of Allowance mailed October 17, 2001. This Notice set a statutory period for reply of three (3) months for issue fee transmittal. No issue fee having been received, the application became abandoned on January 18, 2002. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on April 23, 2002.

To establish nonreceipt of an Office action, a petitioner must: 1) include a statement that the Office action was not received; 2) attest to the fact that a search of the file jacket and docket records indicates that the Office action was not received; and 3) include a copy of the **docket record** where the nonreceived Office action would have been entered had it been received and docketed.¹ A proper docket report consists of a "docket record where the nonreceived Office action would have been entered had it been received and docketed."² "For example, if a three month period for reply was set in the nonreceived Office action, a copy of the docket record showing all replies docketed for a date three months from the mail date of the nonreceived Office action must be submitted..."³

Petitioner has not supplied a copy of the docket record evidencing non-receipt of the Notice of Allowance mailed October 17, 2001.


If petitioner can not establish that the final Office action was not received at the prior law firm of record, petitioner may revive the application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b). A grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) must be accompanied by (1) The reply required to the outstanding Office action or notice, unless previously filed; (2) The petition fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m); and (3) A statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to this paragraph was unintentional.

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¹ See MPEP 711.03(c) (II).

² MPEP 711.03(c) (II) (emphasis added).

³ Id.